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Dear Mr. Wulf:

We have received your request under the Freedom of Information Act for information pertaining to your client, Philip Agee. We are processing your request and will advise you as soon as it is completed.

As you may be aware, the Agency has voluminous material relevant to your request. At the same time we are coping with a backlog of requests similar to yours. Although we will try to treat your request as expeditiously as possible under the circumstances, it is highly unlikely that we will be able to complete it within the time limits specified by the Act. You have the right, accordingly, to appeal this on the basis of this Agency's failure to respond. We would recommend, however, that you await the final results of our processing before you determine whether to do so.

We thank you for your patience and consideration.



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